



SPRING NEWSLETTER



Oregon Association Medical Staff Services Newsletter

April 2017



A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT Liz Brandon

**Upcoming OAMSS Conference
May 17 Credentialing 101 Course
May 18—19, 2017 Conference**

Dear OAMSS Members/Medical Staff Professionals:

As I was running this morning (actually more like snails-pace jogging) it was hard not to get excited about the beautiful cherry blossom trees as a sign that Spring may actually arrive after all! For me that means the long-awaited hikes, concerts in the park and BBQs on

the back patio with friends and family. It also means the 2017 Annual OAMSS Conference is right around the corner! I'm excited to attend and see old friends/colleagues and meet new ones! Networking is one of my favorite things about conferences. It gives us the ability to make connections with people who have spent years perfecting what they do. So many I meet contain a wealth of knowledge in Medical Staff Services, not to mention all the great speakers who have experiences and valuable information to share. My hope for you is that you will network with those around you that you don't yet know and walk away enlightened, inspired and refreshed.

Liz's Favorite Summer Salad Recipe: Strawberry Spinach Salad

Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 2 to 3 TB cider or white wine vinegar
- 2 to 3 TB sugar
- 1 TB lemon juice
- 1 TB poppy seeds
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp ground mustard
- 10 cups torn spinach
- 2 cups sliced fresh strawberries
- 1 cup chopped pecans, toasted
- 1/2 cup chopped Vidalia or sweet onion

Directions:

In a jar with a tight-fitting lid, combine the first seven ingredients; shake well. Just before serving, combine spinach, strawberries, pecans and onion in a large salad bowl. Add dressing and toss to coat.

Yields:

8-10 servings.



Hope to see you there!
Liz Brandon, OAMSS President

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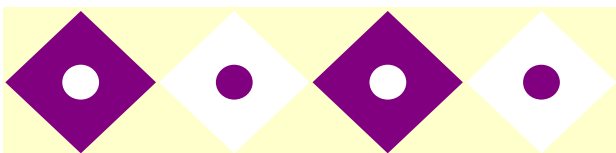
HELP WANTED!!



Donna Nichols has volunteered to serve as Interim Treasurer; however, she will be resigning the Interim Treasurer position as of July 1, 2017 after over four years of dedicated service to OAMSS.

Please note: The Treasurer must be able to be bonded per OAMSS Bylaws. This involves a credit check.

Please contact Liz Brandon ASAP if you are interested in serving on the OAMSS Board.



Take Advantage of the OAMSS Lending Library

Books & Audio Conference CDs are available to all OAMSS members on a first come, first serve basis. Materials are available for 60 days unless arrangements with the Lending Librarian are made in advance. To borrow materials just complete the attached Lending Library Agreement and fax or mail it as indicated on the form. Here are a few of the available items, just to name a few:

NAMSS Professional Development for Medical Staff Services Reference Guide

*NAMSS Professional Development for Credentialing Specialists Reference Guide

*NAMSS Credentialing 101

*Blind Eye, by James B. Stewart

*Our Iceberg is Melting, by John Kotter

*Ready, Set, Credential! by Nancy B. Lian, CPCS, CPMSM

*Audio Conference on CD: "JCAHO's 2007 Medical Staff Standards: How to Prepare your Staff for the Changes" - September 2006.

*Audio Conference on CD: "Low and No Volume Practitioners: Changing Practice Pattern Lead to New Credentialing Challenges"

*Taking the Test: "A Study Group for NAMSS Certification Exams" Moderated by Kathy Matzka, CPMSM, CPCS

If you have questions about material availability please contact our Librarian:

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OAMSS MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Oregon Association Medical Staff Services (OAMSS) is to provide the opportunity for continuing education and to promote the improvement of professional knowledge and skills.

In support of the Mission Statement, the following goals are identified:

Provide educational resources to enhance skills and competence

Educate members regarding the changing organizational structure of the health care industry to meet the needs of Medical Staff Professionals

Promote professional relationships with other organizations

Congratulations !!!

Angie Albright, CPCS

who passed the NAMSS CPCS exam 3/31/16

Welcome to an honored group of professionals!!

If you have received your NAMSS certification and we missed you, please let Liz know

**DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER FOR
THE 2017 OAMSS CONFERENCE
COMING UP ON MAY 17-19!!!!**

Deadline for Early Bird Registration Fee is

Friday, April 21st

See Conference Packet included
in this newsletter.